

Connecticut Patents.
The list of patents issued in Connecticut on the 14th day of December, 1909, as furnished from the office of E. H. Allen, follows: H. B. Arnold, New Britain, extension bedstead; N. E. Austin, Danbury, animal trap; J. W. Bancroft, Norwalk, awning fixture; J. Buncley, Waterbury, staple machine; C. D. Clark, Waterbury, attachment for bedstead; M. Guett, Hartford, electric switch; H. Hubell, Bridgeport, keyless socket, detachable chain guide for pull sockets, means for locking electric sockets to fixtures; M. N. Jarvis, Portland, reversing chuck and tool holder; T. C. Johnson, New Haven, firearm; H. Kurtzner, New Haven, section for automobile radiators; E. Lutz, Waterbury, eight day alarm clock; E. F. Marceau, East Hartford, curtain support; D. D. Miller, Middletown, boom harness motion; F. O. O'Connor, Hartford, collapsible form or center; J. A. Peterson, New Britain, door check and closer; W. H. Saunders, New London, timing and ignition device; R. Schoell, Stamford, lock (2); C. B. Schoenmehl, Waterbury, battery support; E. S. Staples, New Haven, basketball toy; W. H. Vibber, New London, conduit cap for electric in-

stallation. Design—E. Hart, Waterbury, watch dial.
Noank.—Mrs. Albert Wolf and Mrs. Joseph Douchette of Waterbury were in the village to attend the funeral services of J. Albert Fish on Wednesday.
New London.—The auxiliary brigantine yacht Aloha, which is laid up at W. H. Burdick's dock in Shaw's cove for the winter, is reported as having been sold and will leave this port about Christmas time. Her purchaser is not known.

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GROWTH OF TAFTVILLE VILLAGE

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Meeting Early Conditions.
The underplank flooring to each story of the mill had been laid, but no great amount of the Georgia pine top-flooring then covered these plank under floors. Most of the tenements were occupied by laborers and their families, yet several were still vacant and unfinished inside. Certain things had to be adapted to existing conditions. First, a village store was wanted. An unfinished tenement house was converted into a store as to one-half of it and a meat market was fitted up in the other part of it. Again, a place was needed for religious services on Sundays and room for work on weekdays during the season of school keeping. As in the other case, the half of an unfinished two-family tenement house on the south side of the village was utilized in that way, it being fitted up with a teacher's desk and ordinary school benches and desks. Occasionally by a Congregational minister came on Sabbath, and later regular services were held. During the year Evangelist Potter visited the place, and there came also E. H. Pratt of Pomfret, Conn., a temperance lecturer of the time.

Thirty Carpenters.
The carpentry gang that season consisted of about thirty men, under an elderly boss named Austin, who was of Pawtucket, R. I. David Tracy of Waterbury was foreman. The men attended to a variety of work. There was the top flooring of the stories of the mill to lay and get ready for placing the machinery which was arriving during spring, summer and fall; there were a number of additional factory tenement houses to build; a permanent schoolhouse to erect; gas works, boiler house and the woodwork to a rear addition to the mill, 245 by 40 feet, and as high as the main part of the same, and other carpenter's work besides. Then there was present a gang of laborers who dug cellars for the tenements, hauled brick and lumber, unloaded from cars that came to the mill, and the machinery then being placed in position by machinists, and all other necessary outside work.

William C. Tucker was the first mill superintendent and was already residing in Taftville during that busy year of construction. The genial Edward Taft of Providence came frequently to inspect the progress that was being made, while James S. Atwood, agent of the Wauregan mills, came down less every week, also for inspection.

Looms Started.
During the summer a considerable section of looms on the lower floor of the mill was put in operation, the filling of the large bobbins being supplied from Wauregan. The motive power was a Corliss engine placed temporarily on the same floor, the boiler house outside and on the river bank having been completed. The engine was installed primarily to run shafting and furnish power for machine work, so that the early weaving of cloth was rather of the nature of an incident and no bona fide starting of the mill. In the fall two powerful Collins turbine wheels were set in the wheel pit and in the latter part of October the water was let into the mill trench.

On Wednesday, Nov. 1, 1871, the Collins wheels were started for the first time and Edward Taft, in the presence of others of the corporation, fed into a picker in the basement of the addition the first batch of cotton that was shipped. This sort of machine in the Ponemah mills. Thereafter the mill was gradually gotten into operation, sets of all the necessary machinery for manufacturing cotton prints being in place, but the mill, when started, was far from being filled with machinery to its full capacity.

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